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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 25, 2006 AND REQUEST  
FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 25, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 25, 2006, Applicants herewith request continued examination. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/WEAT/0259.P1/WBP the fee of \$790 for an RCE, \$1,150 for excess claims, and for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 17 of this paper.

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